Compline

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

*God's mercy endures for ever*.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these."

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Almighty God, we have sinned against you, through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord, forgive us all our offenses; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us say together the psalm.

**Psalm 100**

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;

 serve the Lord with gladness

 and come before God's presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God;

 he himself has made us, and we are his;

 we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;

 go into his courts with praise;

 give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;

 his mercy is everlasting;

 and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

**Psalm 121**

I lift up my eyes to the hills;

 from where is my help to come?

My help comes from the Lord,

 the maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot be moved

 and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

Behold, he who watches over Israel

 shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord himself watches over you;

 the Lord is your shade at your right hand,

So that the sun shall not strike you by day,

 nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve you from all evil;

 it is he who shall keep you safe.

The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in.

 from this time forth for evermore.

**Psalm 131**

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;

 let me never be put to shame:

 deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me;

 make haste to deliver me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,

 for you are my crag and my stronghold;

 for the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me.

 for you are my tower of strength,

Into your hands I commend my spirit,

 for you have redeemed me,

 O Lord, O God of truth.

**Readings**

**Monday**

Lord, you are in the midst of us, and we are called by your Name: Do not forsake us, O Lord our God. *Jeremiah 14:9, 22*

**Tuesday**

Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who abuse you. Do good and lend, expecting nothing in return. Be merciful as your God is merciful. Judge not and you will not be judged. Condemn not and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you; for the measure you give will be the measure you receive. *Luke 6:27-38*

**Wednesday**

There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. *Galatians 3:28*

**Thursday**

God has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? *Micah 6:8*

**Friday**

It is the God who said, Let light shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our body. *2 Corinthians 4:6-10*

**Litany of Solidarity and Hope During a Pandemic**

For those who are sick.
For those with chronic illnesses and underlying health concerns.
For all those who are suffering.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who are lonely.
For those who have no one to check on them.
For families that are separated.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who are unemployed.
For those suffering financial hardships.
For those who face an uncertain future.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who are dying.
For those who have died while saving the lives of others.
For all who have lost their lives.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who have survived.
For those who have lost their spouses.
For children who have been orphaned.
For all those who mourn and those who comfort them.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For firefighters, police, and emergency medical workers.
For doctors, nurses, and all health care professionals.
For grocery store workers and delivery people.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For public officials.
For business leaders.
For educators and students.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For patience and perseverance.
For calm in the midst of fear.
For the grace to overcome adversity.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

For generosity of spirit.
For hope in times of despair.
For light in the darkness.

*Lord, hear our prayer.*

Lord, hear our prayer;

*And let our cry come to you.*

Let us pray.

*The officiant says one of the following collects*.

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this life may rest in your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The following prayers may be added*.

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love’s sake. *Amen.*

Visit this place, O Lord, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let your blessings be upon us always. *Amen*.

*Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ; and asleep we may rest in peace*.

Lord, you now have set your servant free

 to go in peace as you have promised.

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,

 whom you have prepared for all the world to see.

A Light to enlighten the nations,

 and the glory of your people Israel.

*Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.*

Lord, it is night.

The night is for stillness.

 Let us be still in the presence of God.

It is night after a long day.

 What has been done has been done;

 what has not been done has not been done;

 let it be.

The night is dark.

 Let our fears of the darkness of the world and of our own lives

 rest in you.

The night is quiet.

 Let the quietness of your peace enfold us,

 all dear to us,

 and all who have no peace.

The night heralds the dawn.

 let us look expectantly to a new day,

 new joys,

 new possibilities.

In your name we pray.

Amen.

**Sentence of the Day**

**Monday**

God bless us and keep us,

God’s face shine on us and be gracious to us,

and give us light and peace.

**Tuesday**

To God the Creator,

 who loved us first and gave this world to be our home,

to God the Redeemer,

 who loves us and by dying and rising

 pioneered the way of freedom,

to God the Sanctifier,

 who spreads divine love in our hearts,

be praise and glory for time and for eternity.

**Wednesday**

O God,

strengthen your servants with your heavenly grace,

that we may continue yours for ever

and daily increase in your Holy Spirit more and more,

until we come to your everlasting kingdom.

**Thursday**

Christ be within us to keep us,

beside us to guard,

before us to lead,

behind us to protect,

beneath us to support,

above us to bless.

**Friday**

The blessing of God, the eternal goodwill of God, the shalom of God, the wilderness and the warmth of God, be among us and between us, now and always.

Let us bless the Lord.

*Thanks be to God*.